

NOTICE OF ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER'S REQUEST FOR WAIVER

The REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA (Commission) hereby gives notice that ACS Wireless, Inc. (ACSW), an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) in Alaska, has filed a request for partial waiver for three years of the new regulations set out in 3 AAC 53.410(a)(12)(A) and 3 AAC 53.460(a)(6) that require ETCs to maintain at least eight hours of backup power. ACSW states that granting the waiver will allow ACSW time to bring its facilities into compliance with the new regulations. Docket U-09-117 was opened to address this matter.


ACSW is designated as an ETC in the study areas of ACS of Anchorage, Inc., ACS of Alaska, Inc., ACS of Fairbanks, Inc., ACS of the Northland, Inc. - Glacier State, City of Ketchikan, Matanuska Telephone Association, Inc., and Copper Valley Telephone Cooperative.

The Commission may approve or deny (in whole or in part) ACSW's request for partial waiver of the requirements, impose conditions on approval, or take other actions to protect the public interest resulting from the request for waiver. You may obtain more information about this filing from Leonard Steinberg, ACSW's General Counsel and corporate Secretary, at 600 Telephone Avenue, Suite 500, Anchorage, Alaska 99503; phone (907) 297-3000. You may inspect the filing at the Commission's office at 701 W. 8th Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; phone (907) 276-6222. You may also view the filing via our website at rca.alaska.gov by typing Docket "U-09-117" in the Find a Matter search box.

To comment on this filing, please file your comments by December 18, 2009, at either the Commission address given above or via our website at <https://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/WhatsNew/PublicNoticesComments.aspx>. Please refer to Docket U-09-117 in your response and include a statement that you have filed a copy of the comments with ACSW. Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or service, or alternative communication formats, please contact Joyce McGowan at (907) 276-6222, toll-free at 1-800-390-2782, or TTY (907) 276-4533 or send a request via electronic mail to rca.mail@alaska.gov by December 8, 2009.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska this 18th day of November, 2009.

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA


for Robert M. Pickett
Chairman